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SUBJECT: CDU-BERLIN DEPUTY CHAIRMAN SCHMITZ DECLINES OFFER TO
BECOME MINISTER FOR THE INTERIOR IN LOWER SAXONY

1. BERLIN PRESS REPORTED JUNE 16 THAT LOWER SAXONY MINISTER-PRESIDNET ALBRECHT HAD OFFERED CDU BERLIN DEPUTY CHAIRMAN AND DEPUTY FLOOR LEADER, KARL-HEINZ SCHMITZ, THE POST OF MINISTER FOR THE INTERIOR IN LOWER SAXONY AS SUCCESSOR TO OUTGOING FDP MINISTER FOR THE INTERIOR, ROETGER GROSS, FOLLOWING THE FDP ELECTION DEFEAT IN THE JUNE 4 LANTAG ELECTIONS.

2. AFTER MEETING WITH THE CDU CAUCUS LEADER OF LOWER SAXONY, BRUNO BRANDES, IN HANNOVER TO DISCUSS THE OFFER THE 45 YEARS OLD SCHMITZ INFORMED THE CDU-BERLIN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE THAT HE HAD REJECTED THE POST BECAUSE HE "WANTED TO STAY WITH HIS CDU-BERLIN COLLEAGUES DURING THE UPCOMING ELECTION CAMPAIGN."

COMMENT: SCHMITZ TOLD MISSION OFFICER HE WAS FLATTERED BY ALBRECHT'S OFFER BUT HAD TURNED IT DOWN BECAUSE HAD HE ACCEPTED IT, HE WOULD HAVE BEEN OBLIGED TO STAY WITH THE LOWER SAXONY POST EVEN IF THE CDU WERE TO COME TO POWER
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FOLLOWING THE MARCH 1979 ELECTIONS IN BERLIN. SCHMITZ WOULD BE THE CDU'S SENATOR FOR THE INTERIOR IN THE EVENT A CDU CABINET WERE FORMED IN BERLIN. GEORGE

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